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Province hiring JPs, ministry says

by CHAD INGRAM
Times Staff

The Ministry of the Attorney General is working on filling a lack of justices of the peace that is causing provincial offences and small claims court proceedings to be suspended in Minden for a year, ministry communications staff say.

As reported previously in the *Times*, local councils recently received notification those court proceedings, which typically take place once a month in Minden, will take place in Lindsay from July 1, 2017 to July 1, 2018.

Local politicians are concerned about the ramifications for the community – OPP costs affiliated the transportation of county residents unable to get themselves to Lindsay, for one – and have openly questioned whether the move will be as temporary as is being presented.

Of the 48 justice of the peace positions in the province's Central East region, 12 are currently vacant after retirements and another three justices of the peace are off on long-term leave.

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Skipping school

Archie Stouffer Elementary School's Devyn Garbutt, centre, showcases his skipping skills during the school's enrichment session on skipping in the gym on Wednesday, March 29 in Minden. Kyna Rowbotham, left, led the session, introducing the sport and offering the students an opportunity to join the school's new skipping team, which will be working towards competing at the 10th annual Trillium Lakelands District School Board Skipping Competition on May 4 at I.E. Weldon Secondary School in Lindsay. Rowbotham is the founder of the competition./DARREN LUM Staff

MH buys automated sandbagging machine

by CHAD INGRAM
Times Staff

The following are brief reports of items discussed during a March 30 meeting of Minden Hills council.

Minden Hills will spend \$35,000 on an automated sandbagging machine that will help speed up emergency efforts the next time there's a flood in Minden.

Councillors voted to purchase the machine from The Sandbagger Corp. It includes four chutes, each with its own foot pump to be op-

erated by the people filling the bags.

The machine can be used to fill up to 1,600 bags per hour, the manufacturer says. During the severe flood of 2013, about 33,000 sandbags were filled during a week-and-a-half period. The bags were filled by both town-

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Ministry will recruit eight JPs for Central East

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“The recruitment for 43 justices of the peace positions, including eight in Central East region, is well underway, which is why applications are no longer being accepted,” reads an email from the ministry.

The *Times* had inquired why the provincial courts website reads that applications for justices of the peace are no longer being accepted when lack of JPs exists.

“Simply put, applications have already been received,” the email reads. “The recruitment of candidates for appointment as justices of the peace is conducted by the the Justices of the Peace Appointment Advisory Committee, which is an independent organization. The committee advertises vacancies, reviews applications, conducts interviews and selects candidates to recommend to the Attorney General.”

Correspondence from City of Kawartha Lakes courts operations manager Karen Dunn to Haliburton County council read that, “there is a serious shortage of justices of the peace in the Central East Region which is negatively impacting our operations,” and that, “in March alone there will be 80 court closures in our jurisdiction due to this shortage, and it is expected to get worse in the upcoming year.”

“We want to assure the community that there are absolutely no plans for ‘80 court closures,’” the ministry email reads. “What you are referring to was the fact that across the Central East region, there were 80 instances where justices of the peace were not scheduled in the courtrooms where they

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— MINDEN HILLS REEVE BRENT DEVOLIN

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ordinarily sit.”

Dunn was in Minden Hills council chamber during a March 30 council meeting.

“We have a situation in Central East where the ministry is not replacing justices of the peace when they should be,” Dunn said.

While her correspondence had read there were 11 justice of the peace vacancies in the Central East region, Dunn told councillors another retirement since brought the total to 12.

“I’ll preface this first, that I’m not shooting the messenger,” said Minden Hills Reeve and County Warden Brent Devolin, who’s not been trying to hide his anger at the turn of events. “You’re sitting in a hot seat. When they don’t have compe-

tency in hiring, it’s problematic. This is a multi-year train wreck. People from Haliburton County have to travel 70 plus kilometres, one way, to go to court. This is not acceptable. This cannot continue. We are extremely unhappy. It is not considerate of the people of Haliburton County.”

Councillor Jean Neville asked if court proceedings could not be rotated out of Lindsay to Haliburton, one day a month. The scheduling of court resources is done by the judiciary, with the decision to suspend proceedings in Minden ultimately the decision of the region’s senior justice of the peace.

“Since it’s only one day a month court is held here, can they not rotate that court out of Lindsay?” Neville asked.

“We can take a look at that,” Dunn said, “It has been looked at, briefly.”

“Ever since this court was built, this been an issue,” said Councillor Jeanne Anthon, pointing out that court had been shut down locally before, under a government of a different stripe.

Anthon was a previous reeve of Anson, Hindon and Minden, prior to the creation of the amalgamated Township of Minden Hills.

“I’m hoping we can gather some more information to reinforce our position,” Anthon said.

Chief administrative officer and treasurer Lorrie Blanchard was anticipating the township could lose some lease revenue. The province leases the space for the courthouse, which doubles as council chambers, from the municipality.

Council approves signing of fire hall contract

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ship staff and members of the public.

“In this litigious society we have, we can’t have members of the public doing the bagging,” Reeve Brent Devolin said. “It has to be staff. If we have another flood, I don’t think we’ll mind spending the money. It’s like buying an insurance policy, in my perspective.”

Special rental rate

Council approved a special rental rate at the Minden Hills Community Centre of \$31.25 per hour for community fitness programs run by outside providers.

Community services director Mark Coleman told councillors the current rental rate at the centre was making a fitness class unaffordable for the instructor to host.

“This is an opportunity, as more of a trial form,” Coleman said during a public meeting on the introduction of the rate, where no members of the public voiced any concern with the change.

“I’m not aware of any concerns at this time,” Coleman said.

Fire hall contract signed

Council voted last fall to award the contract for the design and construction of the township’s new fire hall along Highway 35 to Huntsville’s Greystone Construction. The contract for the job, worth \$1.9 million, was officially green-lighted by council during last week’s meeting.

Councillor Pam Sayne said she would voting against the motion.

“I’m very excited about this new fire hall,” Sayne said, “but I have to be consistent with my position that we only have one bid.”

Greystone’s bid on the project was the only qualifying one and Sayne had previously expressed concern that the township should not be essentially sole-sourcing such a costly project.

“I would just like to say, ‘Hallelujah!’” said Deputy-reeve Cheryl Murdoch. The construction of a new fire hall has been discussed by a succession of councils Murdoch has been part of.

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— COUNCILLOR PAM SAYNE

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“We have a history with Greystone in Haliburton and in Minden Hills,” Murdoch said.

The company built the county’s EMS base along Highway 35, along with The Newcastle condo building in Minden and the Granite Cove and Granite View condominiums in Haliburton Village.

Making graduation dreams come true in Minden

Graduation season is coming up and two local women are offering a very cost-effective means of getting grads dressed for the big day.

Nancy Lowes and Jenn Abbott will be at the Minden Lions Hall on Saturday, April 29 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., with a variety of free graduation clothing.

Minor alterations can be done on site.

“I have wanted to do this for a long time,” Lowes told the paper. “When shopping for my own children for graduation, I realized not everyone can afford the prices. I mentioned it on Facebook and Jenn offered to help. My dream come true! Her and I work side by side in everything.”

The clothing was donated after the pair solicited donations through social media posts and phone calls.

For more information, contact Lowes or Abbott or Facebook, or call 705-854-0189.

- Chad Ingram

Two charged in multiple break-ins

On Sunday April 2, just before 9 p.m. Haliburton Highlands OPP officers responded to reports of a break and enter to resi-

dences in the Alvic Lane area in Minden Hills. Officers attended the area and located two men. Investigation resulted in both men being charged with numerous break and enters within Haliburton County.

A 44-year-old Haliburton County resident and a 38-year-old City of Kawartha Lakes resident have been charged.

The Haliburton County man is charged with numerous break and enters, possession of break-in tools, possession of property obtained by crime and fail to comply with probation order.

The man from CKL is charged with numerous break and enters, possession of break-in tools, possession of property obtained by crime.

The men will be held pending a bail hearing.

Correction

A story last week about a sewage haulage operator applying for an expansion of a spreading field near Maple Lake read that Algonquin Highlands council sought a legal opinion on the matter during the summer of 2015 and concluded that rezoning of the property was not required.

Since then, it has been determined that while rezoning would required under the certificate of approval from the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change, the ministry cannot force the operator to rezone, since it operates under the Environmental Protection Act and not the Planning Act. Algonquin Highlands has sought legal advice and been informed that attempting to force a rezoning would require a court injunction and likely prove fruitless.



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Competitive skippers hop to it at ASES

by **DARREN LUM**
Times Staff

The Wildcats will be putting their best foot forward this May when they compete in the 10th annual TLDSB Skipping Competition in Lindsay.

With Kyna Rowbotham, founder of the skipping competition, the Archie Stouffer Elementary School is starting a competitive skipping team.

Rowbotham, who was invited by the school's principal Jane Austin, held an enrichment session introducing the sport and the details of the competition to students on Wednesday, March 29 in the school's gymnasium.

She provided an outline of the judged event, the point breakdown and the expectations for classes and the categories of competitions such as speed, freestyle, double-dutch and the masters figure eight event, which is a visual spectacle, as it uses two turners, turning a 12-foot rope for 10 skippers who must go in to skip once and out of the looping rope like a snaking line of people.

The idea to start a team came from the request by students and siblings Jackson Gill and younger sister Kennedy, who moved here from the Little Britain area. At Dr. George Hall Public School, located 15 kilometres southwest of Lindsay, they competed for the past two years, and wanted to continue at their new school in Minden.

The Grade 8 student said skipping has benefitted in playing other sports such as lacrosse and ice hockey because it increases foot speed and improves overall physical health. As a result, his ability to evade defenders in lacrosse is greater and he can skate faster in hockey.

While at the competition, it's difficult to ignore the stress, Jackson said.

"You're nervous the first time because everyone's eyes are on you. If you mess up you feel [put on the spot]," he said.

He learned to push through it and move past mistakes at last year's event.

"You just go back and do it. Every time you do it you feel more comfortable up there doing it," he said.

Jackson likes the speed and figure eight events. His highest score is 63 in speed – scores are measured with each right foot landing after 30 seconds. Although it wasn't good enough to win the open speed class (that requires a score close to 70), he still enjoyed the experience.

Austin was already aware of Jackson and Kennedy, who won two skipping titles for primary aged competitors in speed and freestyle duet – freeform skipping with a part-



Archie Stouffer Elementary School's Jordy Schell skips between the ropes during the school's enrichment session on skipping in the gym on Wednesday, March 29 in Minden. Kyna Rowbotham, far left, led the session, introducing the sport and offering the students an opportunity to join the school's new skipping team, which will be working towards competing at the 10th annual Trillium Lakelands District School Board) Skipping Competition on May 4 at I.E. Weldon Secondary School in Lindsay. Rowbotham is the founder of the competition./DARREN LUM Staff

ner. One tip, Kennedy offered, is to not jump very high off the ground when skipping, adding it's more efficient. She wanted to bring it to Minden so peers could share in her joy. She points out it would make her happy if ASES could beat her former school, which won every title in last year's competition.

Being able to be creative in freestyle is something she

likes and it brings a smile to her face.

When asked how skipping affects her, she said, "I feel good. It makes me happy."

Jackson is leaving ASES after this year.

After seeing his peers learn about skipping in the gym, he said, "They seem to be having a lot of fun with it and I hope it continues here for a long time."



Kyna Rowbotham speaks to Archie Stouffer Elementary School students during the school's enrichment session on skipping in the gym on Wednesday, March 29 in Minden.



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Road allowances not ‘linear parks,’ Bishop says

by **CHAD INGRAM**
Times Staff

Veteran planner Greg Bishop gave Minden Hills councillors a thorough history lesson on shoreline road allowances during their March 30 meeting.

Bishop made his presentation in response to a staff report from the township’s planner, recommending a drastic increase in the price the township charges residents to purchase unopened shoreline road allowances.

The current total cash deposit is \$1,500 – including a non-refundable \$500 administration fee and a partial purchase price for the first 150 feet of frontage at \$750, or \$5 per foot.

Each additional foot has been sold at a cost of \$2.

The proposed changes would bring the total cash deposit to \$5,250, increasing the partial purchase price for the first 150 feet to \$4,500, or \$30 per foot, with the cost for each additional foot increased to \$20.

The \$500 administration fee would remain the same.

“We are no longer consistent with surrounding municipalities,” planner Ian Clendening told councillors when he presented the report in February, adding the new proposed fees more accurately reflected the value of waterfront property. “We are disposing of municipal lands. This is an exhaustible resource. That money will have to be made up (once shoreline road allowances are all sold off).”

The township makes about \$15,000 a year through the sale of unopened shoreline road

allowances, but using averaged information from other townships, Clendening’s report suggested the value of these road allowance sales should be closer to \$75,000.

“I have taken a personal interest in your latest process with respect to the increase of fees for the closing and purchasing of original shore road allowances,” Bishop wrote in a report to council and staff. “I am not really making the presentation to either encourage or discourage an increase in costs to any applicant, it is more so around how these strips of lands were originally created and what their original intent was at the time of the original surveys and the history behind the evolution of processes that have happened over the years.”

The creation of lots, concessions and roadways in Haliburton County dates back to the mid-19th century.

“As we are all probably aware, the original surveys in Haliburton County were completed in the 1860s,” Bishop’s report reads. “There are 13 different types of survey structures in Ontario, and we are in the 1,000-acre section structure, where have original allowances for road between every second concession in a north-south direction and every fifth lot in an east-west direction. If these road allowances intersected with a lake and sometimes a navigable waterway, a shore road allowance would then be created along the lake or river, sometimes engulfing the whole lake but in some instances only traversing the shorter portion of the lake.”

While roads could be successfully built around lake shores in areas south of the county, with its position at the foot the Canadian Shield, this was not the case within

Haliburton.

“We’re stuck this middle ground, where it didn’t work too well,” Bishop told councillors.

The county’s topography means that, along with unopened shoreline road allowances, there are also many unopened side road allowances, intersecting properties throughout the area.

“Not only did it not work on water, it didn’t work on land, either,” said Bishop.

In many areas of the province, control of these unopened roadways were eventually ceded from the Crown to municipalities.

Before the Ontario Planning Act was introduced in 1970, there was basically no regard for these unopened road allowances.

“There were no official plans, zoning, no control over building structures on road allowances,” Bishop said. “The attitude towards road allowances, right to 1970, was we’re never going to use them.”

Bishop said in his opinion, referring to unopened road allowances as “linear parks,” a phrase that had been used in a township staff report, is not apt.

“A road allowance is not a linear park,” he said. “It’s an unopened highway.”

“It is my opinion that prior to the Planning Act, shore road allowances were simply not on anyone’s radar including local surveyors, local municipalities and even the Provincial Crown,” Bishop’s report concludes. “As the value of land keeps increasing, the focus on these shore road allowances has changed over time. Irrelevant of value, I still come back to the fact they are shore road allowances and not linear parks. The focus should remain the same in that they could be pur-

chased by the upland owners, certainly given the situation that the valuation of lakefront lots through the assessment process does not recognize whether there is an abutting shore road allowance in front of a lakefront parcel. To treat shoreline road allowances in any other way should cause a revolt amongst your constituents with respect to the whole basis of how lakefront lots have been assessed. Although the position can be taken that lakefront lots that abut a shore road allowance in fact do not have any frontage or access to the waterbody in front of them, there are not lakefront owners at all, throws the whole assessment of value of these properties into turmoil.”

Councillors thanked Bishop for his presentation.

Reeve Brent Devolin said once the county’s official plan update (currently underway) is complete, Minden Hills’ official plan would be opened up for review.

“Obviously, matters like this will need careful consideration,” Devolin said. “We inherited a situation . . . this changes the perspective a bit.”

The reeve said the historical context, in his mind, cements the notion that road allowances are not parkland.

Councillor Jeanne Anthon suggested that Bishop take his presentation to next year’s Rural Ontario Municipal Association conference and Councillor Pam Sayne suggested a copy of his report should be kept at the Haliburton County Public Library.

Bishop’s full report can be found in March 30 Minden Hills council agenda on the Haliburton County website.

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The Minden Terry Fox Run Committee would like to congratulate committee chair, Diane Peacock, on being awarded the Township of Minden Hills Good Neighbour Award for her outstanding contribution to the community. The award was presented in December at the township’s Christmas dinner by Reeve and County Warden Brent Devolin. The Minden run raised \$13,100 in the 2016, bringing their 23-year total to \$261,900. The 2017 run will take place on Sunday, Sept. 17. /Submitted



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On road allowances

SHORELINE ROAD allowances are complicated, in both their history and the way municipalities deal with them.

Minden Hills councillors may wish to think carefully before agreeing to an increase on the price of shoreline road allowances that would essentially quadruple their cost for residents.

The current total cash deposit for the purchase of shoreline road allowances is \$1,500 – including a non-refundable \$500 administration fee and a partial purchase price for the first 150 feet of frontage at \$750, or \$5 per foot.

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The proposed changes would bring the total cash deposit to \$5,250, increasing the partial purchase price for the first 150 feet to \$4,500, or \$30 per foot, with the cost for each additional foot increased to \$20.

The \$500 dministration fee would remain the same.

A township planning report says the change would more accurately reflect the cost of processing applications and bring Minden Hills more in line with surrounding townships in terms of the price tag.

The report also points out that shoreline road allowances are a finite resource – once they're all sold, there'll be no more for the township to sell – and suggests they are essentially linear, waterfront parks.

Veteran surveyor Greg Bishop takes issue with that definition and was in council chambers last week with a presentation on the subject.

As many readers are likely aware, the original surveying of Haliburton County was done in the 1860s. Some lakes were marked with spaces for roads around their shorelines, some weren't. The county's topography ensured that

in most cases, it was impossible to build roads around them anyway. These unused road allowances were eventually ceded from the Crown to municipalities and, until the Ontario Planning Act was introduced in 1970, were nary thought about by anyone.

Some waterfront residents have purchased their shoreline road allowances – often in cases where structures exist on these strips of land – and others not.

If unopened shoreline road allowances are truly to be thought of as public, waterfront property, then an argument

could be made that lakefront properties where the owners have not purchased their shoreline road allowances are not really lakefront at all.

It's a concept that, as Bishop noted in his report, "throws the whole assessment of value of these properties into turmoil."

It's an interesting perspective and one councillors may wish to

keep in mind, especially if they want to avoid residents taking a strip off them.



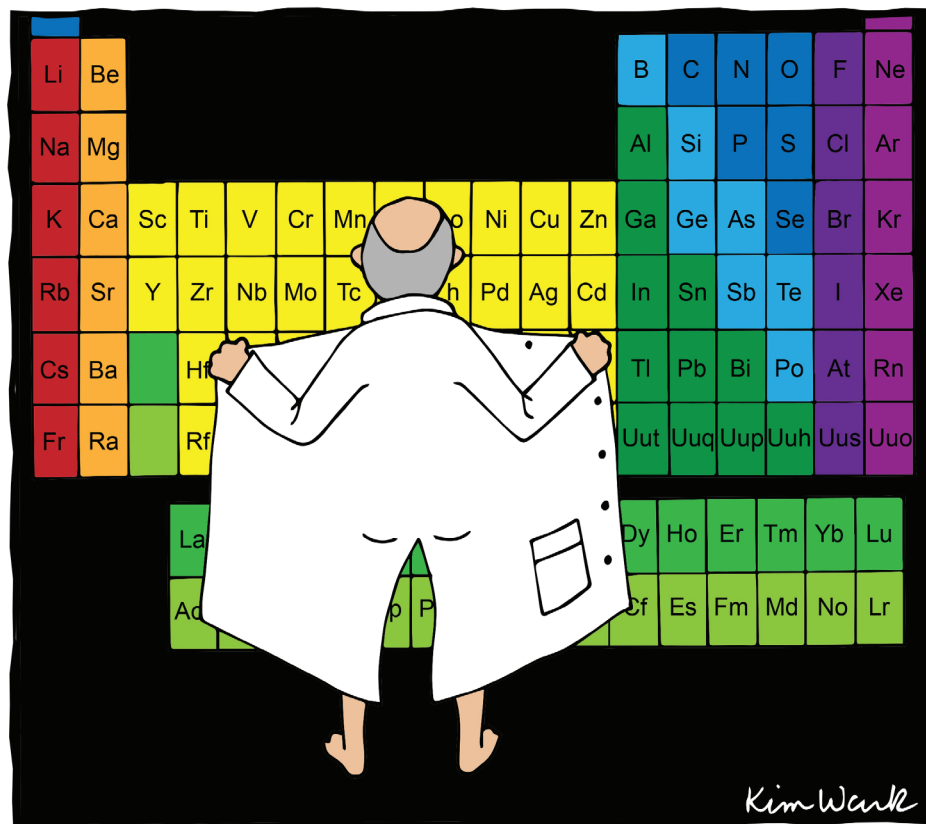
CHAD INGRAM
Reporter

Welcome

Readers will notice a few changes in the pages of the *Times*, *Echo* and *County Life* in coming weeks.

Welcome to Sue Tiffin, who joins the papers' editorial team on a contract basis. A journalist, trivia maven and Festival of Banners advocate, Sue is a Mindenite who likely requires no introduction for many readers.

Also, welcome back to past columnist George Farrell, who will be writing on arts and culture in *County Life*, the free weekly publication produced by the *Times* and *Echo* that was recently re-branded as a local arts magazine.



Exposure to the elements.

Kim Wank

Mud and guts

HISTORY BUFFS MIGHT recall that in the Second World War, General George S. Patton was nicknamed, "Old Blood and Guts." Well, I'm pretty sure that had he been campaigning in Ontario in early spring, that name might have been changed to "Old Mud and Guts."

Mud, after all is the one thing you can count on this time of year in the outdoors. And it does take a little bit of guts to negotiate your way through the bush along trails that look like they could swallow a school bus.

As a short, relatively heavy, outdoorsman, I have a particular disdain for mud. For good reason too; like all outdoorsmen, I have had muddy patches of trail steal the boots right off my feet or cement my feet in place until I could figure a way out, which generally involved a very undignified front crawl.

The good news is we have no true quicksand patches in most of Ontario. Here, you are more likely to sink into a mud patch for a finite depth which can be mathematically defined as $hb + 1$, where hb equals the height of your rubber boots and 1 is the depth exceeding it in inches.

Of course, there are some sick folks – I'm referring to ATV and dirt bike riders as well as Jeep enthusiasts who actually set off in search of mud. The rest of us, however, do our best to avoid it.

That, however, is impossible. At best, you can walk around the dangerous patches.

What most outdoorsmen don't realize, however, is that mud can also be your friend. For instance, if there is a muddy trail leading to your favourite fishing hole on a good trout creek you can use this to

your advantage. Simply place an old fishing hat festooned with old fishing flies in the middle of a particularly scary patch of mud. Leave one old rod there too.

The theory behind this is the next angler walking down the trail who happens upon this scene will naturally assume an unfortunate angler actually found the one over-the-head deep patch of mud in the province and sank until all that was left showing was his hat and fishing rod.

The angler discovering this will naturally take the kind of prompt action we anglers

are known for. That's right, he'll immediately check to see which fly was tied onto the leader of the fishing rod.

And here's the genius part – you tie on a pheasant tail nymph in size eight with a hot pink thorax to that leader, even though you know full well the brook trout on that stretch of water prefer hot orange thoraxes and nothing larger than size 12! Or worms.

To cement the ruse, when you see an angler coming down that trail to the creek, you need to say something like, "Well, I thought you might be old John! He was supposed to meet me here and finally show me his killer fly! That guy always outfishes everyone on this creek with it but he never tells us what it is."

After that you can enjoy a fun day of angling which includes you catching brook trout and the other angler feeling the simultaneous effects of guilt and getting skunked.

Clearly, this is not a technique you should brag too much about. But fishing can be competitive and sometimes in spring with all the mud around, it doesn't hurt to play dirty.



STEVE GALEA
Beyond 35

IN OTHER WORDS

Columns and Letters to the Editor

What lurks below?

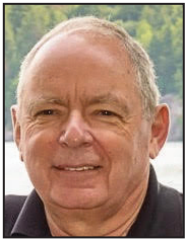
I CAN'T DELAY ANY LONGER. It is April and it has to get done, so I'll just have to screw up my nerve and get on with it – the hated spring crawl.

Every April I must enter the dark and dreaded crawl space under the cottage to convert the water system from winter to summer operation. It is a hateful job. The area is cramped and dark. The perfect nestling place for something that you never want to meet.

It is a reasonably well sealed area. Concrete block walls with screened air vents. But there is a doorway and I always worry that it was left ajar last autumn just long enough for something to sneak in for the winter.

On one spring crawl I heard a low growl and shone my light into a corner, revealing the cute face of a pine marten. Cute except for the two front fangs that could turn my face to hamburger in a matter of seconds. I backed out rather quickly, leaving the door open for the marten to exit at his leisure.

I am especially nervous about this spring's crawl because of a couple stories I heard on a recent trip to California. I accompanied my California family up into ski country near Tahoe where people have cottages like we do in Haliburton, but call them chalets.



JIM POLING SR.
From Shaman's Rock

During a social gathering one chalet owner told me he was having trouble with heating ducts that run through the chalet's crawl space. A heating guy came and very cautiously began to check the crawl space, looking into the dark corners before fully entering.

The heating guy explained that he had gone into a similar chalet crawl space and had awakened a large black bear, which somehow had crawled in to hibernate. Terrified humans tend to move much more quickly than sleepy bears, so the heating guy escaped without harm.

Then someone else told me about being at her chalet in summer and hearing some banging and crashing in the kitchen. She assumed it was her husband and went to the kitchen to see what he was doing. He actually was outside and the noise was coming from a mama black bear going through the cupboards.

The woman ran from the kitchen only to encounter three cubs coming down a staircase from the second floor.

Getting between a mama bear and her cubs can cause some really bad scenes. Fortunately, the woman got out of the chalet without incident and the bears found their way outside.

I had a similar experience many years ago when I was a lot younger, and a lot more foolish. I came across two cubs on a bush trail and decided it would be neat to pick one up and cuddle it. The mother, who exploded from the bush with a roar, did not agree. Fortunately, fear and youth gave me the super speed needed to escape.

I had never thought of California as a place for bears, even though the state flag is known as the Bear Flag and features an image of a grizzly.

There are no grizzlies or brown bears left in California but there are an estimated 30,000 black bears. They are not always black. California black bears have fur colours that can be chocolate brown, red, blonde or cinnamon.

Interestingly, California's black bears, almost one-half of which live in the Sierra Nevada mountains, don't all hibernate for the entire winter. Because temperatures and snow levels vary at different altitudes, bears come and go during winter hibernation according to how weather changes affect food sources.

Ontario has an estimated 85,000 to 105,000 black bears, some of which shorten their hibernation because of warmer winters. *The Orillia Packet and Times* reported that a young bear emerged from its den during this January's mild spell and was attacked on a lake and eaten by coyotes.

Most of our bears are emerging now from their winter sleeping spots. Hopefully, one of those spots was not my cottage crawl space.

I'll soon find out. And after I check out the dreaded crawl space I'll set to work figuring out a system to keep hungry bears out of the spring bird feeders.

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letters to the editor



Mountain Lake sunrise
by Loretta Cusato

Calories, calories, everywhere!

IT'S NOW LAW in Ontario that restaurant chains with more than 20 locations must post the calories contained in the food that they sell. It's called the Healthy Menus Choices Act. I didn't know that until I looked it up. The other thing I didn't know was that a chocolate dip doughnut from Canada's favourite coffee shop is 200 calories.

"Calories (n) – tiny little creatures that live in your closet and sew your clothes a little bit tighter every night." – Anonymous

I love that restaurants are now posting this information. It certainly stopped me in my tracks. I do count calories but not all of the time. When I don't, I find that I put far too much in my mouth – especially when the days are cold and short. And, overeating leaves me feeling lousy. Sadly, I don't remember that fact until it is too late.

Having this caloric information can help us with something called "energy balance." That breaks down to energy in (calories consumed) to energy out (calories expended through bodily functions such as breathing and activity). While it would be easy to

think that if I ate a 200-calorie doughnut and then went for a 30-minute jog, all would be right in my world. But it's not. First of all, those 200 calories have next to no nutritional value. The other important fact is that our

bodies are quick to store the fat we consume as fat cells. In our bodies. In places we really don't want it. Whoever said "you might as well tape that piece of cake to your hips" wasn't far off.

What are we to do? Use this information to our advantage. If you are someone who will track what you eat – do it. To the best of your abilities do it. If there's no way you'll write it down, do the accounting in your head.

Familiarize yourself with how many calories you consume at each meal. Get to know how many calories you expend through the day. Make it a habit to make choices that benefit you. Sometimes weight management is the priority. And sometimes ice cream with chocolate sauce is good for the soul.

Something to think about.

Laurie Sweig is a certified personal trainer and spinning instructor. She is one of the founders of *The Point for Fitness*: www.the-point-for-fitness.com.



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Practical Fitness

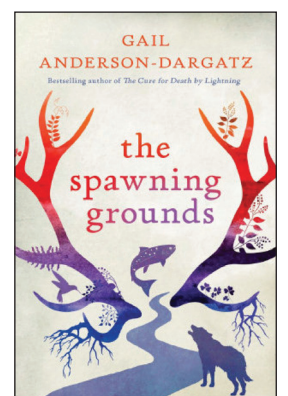
Book of the Month

The Spawning Grounds by Gail Anderson-Dargatz

On one side of the river is a ranch once owned by Eugene Robertson as a homesteader. On the other side is a Shuswap community that has its own tangled history with the river – and the white settlers. At the heart of the novel are Hannah and Brandon, descendants of Eugene, and their childhood best friend, Alex, who leads a native protest against the development threatening the health of the river. When drowning nearly claims the life of Brandon, their world is thrown into chaos. Hannah,

Alex and Brandon come to doubt their own reality as they are pulled deep into Brandon's numinous visions, which summon the myths of Shuswap culture and tragic family stories of the past.

The Spawning Grounds by Gail Anderson-Dargatz is one of 2017's Evergreen Award selections, part of the Ontario Library Association's Forest of Reading. Read one or more books through the year and vote for your favourite in September. *The Spawning Grounds* is available to reserve at the Haliburton County Public Library.



Reporter returns 21 years later

Sue Tiffin is joining the editorial team at the Minden Times and sister publication the Haliburton County Echo while Angelica Ingram is off on maternity leave. While she'll be working out of the Echo office, expect to see stories from Sue appearing in the Times.

by **SUE TIFFIN**
Times Staff

Things have changed a bit since the last time I started writing from the offices of the Haliburton County Echo. It was March then, too, but it was 21 years ago, in 1996.

According to that week's Echo, Mr. Holland's Opus was being held over for the second weekend at the Molou Theatre. Wings were 25 cents at the Moose Bar and Grill at the Wigamog. The Echo office itself was in a completely different location – nestled into the corner of York and Maple rather than overlooking the lake on Highland Street. The picture taken of me on my first day as an HHSS co-op student shows a nervous 17-year-old sitting in Martha Perkins's office next to a desk with a now-ancient Macintosh computer and a photo of my baby nephew. He's not such a baby anymore – he's now five years older than I was at that time – and his photo has been replaced with screenshots of toddlers of my own.

Some things haven't changed so much, really. The profile I wrote then details my busy extracurricular life as a highland dancer and drama club actress. Now I still stuff my spare time full by volunteering for the Minden Hills events committee, Festival of Banners committee, Cultural Centre Foundation and annual Catch the Cure event. I do still act from time to time, and I can still do a fling, if plied with a few adult beverages, first.

At the start of my co-op placement, I planned to channel my innate interest in people and their contributions into a profile



Minden writer Sue Tiffin rejoins the Haliburton County Echo newspaper team 20 years after writing at this paper as a high school student. Tiffin is covering maternity leave for reporter Angelica Ingram.
DARREN LUM

column about local students. Now, as I begin maternity leave coverage for Echo reporter Angelica Ingram, I'm almost finished conducting interviews for a book I'm writing that chronicles the lives of people living in Haliburton County. It turns out that people in this place are still fascinating.

Rereading the profile makes me think of the way choices can impact a life's course. After I misused the high school photocopier after hours to self-publish a story I had written, it was then-principal Gary Brohman who first disciplined my actions and then suggested I become a writer. That's why I found myself training at the Echo rather than working as a teaching assistant at JDHES. I write, back then, of considering the journalism program at Centennial College or Ryerson University – with Martha's influence, I followed in her foot-

steps to Ryerson. Had I been elsewhere,

I might not have met my husband of 13 years, Justin, and without a degree, we might not have been able to teach in Korea for nearly a decade after university before returning home to the Highlands in 2014. If I hadn't resigned from the Highlander last year around this time, I might not have been available when the Echo asked me to help keep Angelica's seat warm for the next few months, coming full-circle two decades later.

Then, you could probably reach me only by phone. Now I'm accessible by office phone, cellphone, or email (sue@haliburtonpress.com). Feel free to get in touch if you'd like to catch up, or if you want to fill me in on what's been happening.



Far left, "Sunset on Budapest" by Stan Fisher won first place in the advanced category in the Haliburton Highlands Camera Club's latest competition. Left, "Sunset on Kash" by Hana Curtis won in the intermediate category and "Tranquility," below, by Janice Hardy in the novice division.

Camera club goes golden with latest photo competition

The Haliburton Highlands Camera Club has announced its most recent photo competition winners. The assigned topic this month was "golden hour."

First prize novice goes to Janice Hardy for "Tranquility," first place intermediate goes to Hana Curtis "Sunset on Kash,"

and first place advanced goes to Stan Fisher for "Sunset on Budapest."

All competitions are adjudicated by GTCCC/CAPA trained judges from all over the province.

The Haliburton Highlands Camera Club meets the third

Wednesday of every month, alternating between Minden and Haliburton. Next meeting is Wednesday, April 18, at 7 p.m., at the Haliburton Museum. There is no charge for attendance and everyone is welcome. See the website at highlandscameraclub.ca for details. - Submitted

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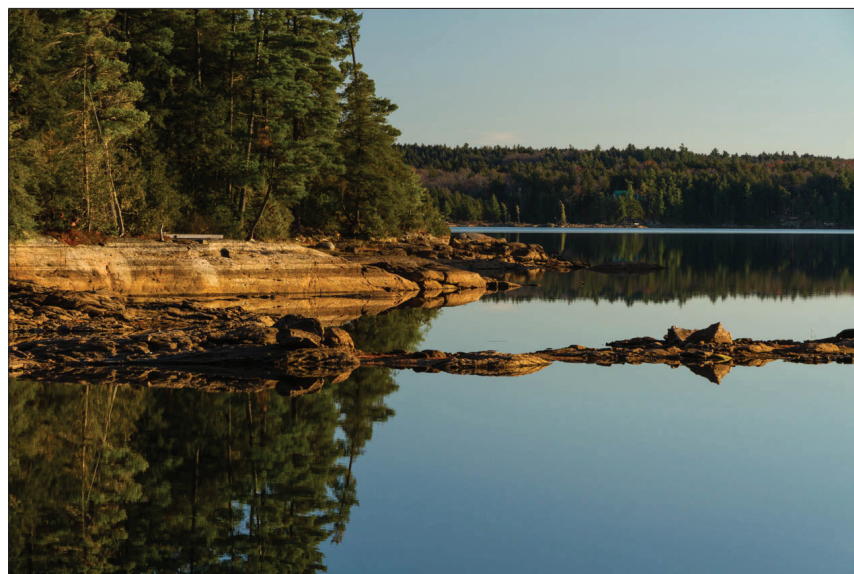
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Reconsidering our electricity sources

Upcoming talk to cover hydro rates, nuclear power and climate change

by **JENN WATT**
Editor

Hydro rates are one of the most important issues to Ontarians right now. Polling indicates that above all other issues, more people in the province choose electricity as their No. 1 concern than any other.

Rising costs coupled with increased alarm at the rate of climate change brings an urgency to reforming the energy system in the province, but solutions aren't always clear.

Angela Bischoff, outreach director of the Ontario Clean Air Alliance, will help clarify the issues in her upcoming talk “Hydro Rates, the Nuclear Power Debt and Climate Change,” on April 11 at the Minden United Church.

Bischoff's organization supported the province's coal phase-out and is critical of the province's reliance on nuclear power, which needs major investment in the coming years.

“When you look at the impact on the taxpayer and the ratepayer, nuclear power contributes substantially more to our electricity costs and other electricity options,” she said in an interview with the *Minden Times*.

Currently, 60 per cent of Ontario's electricity is nuclear power, which the alliance says is too expensive and is not as clean as many think.

"I wouldn't say that leaving a legacy of nuclear waste for a million years is a very sustainable option. I wouldn't call that a clean electricity option," she said.

“And also the cost: we’re still paying down the debt from the nuclear reactors built decades ago.”

Bischoff will be reviewing the various electricity sources and their costs, both fi-

nancial and environmental, during her upcoming talk. The subject matter is geared to audiences with all knowledge levels.

This is part of Environment Haliburton's Enviro Café series. Bischoff will be speak-

ing on Tuesday, April 11, at 7:30 p.m. at the Minden United Church, 21 Newcastle St., Minden. There is no cost to attend.

'Meatification' of our diets

University of Western Ontario associate professor Tony Weis came to the West Guilford Community Centre to talk about the global food system and society's increasing reliance on meat-based diets. His talk was part of the Environment Haliburton annual general meeting on April 1, 2017. JENN WATT Staff



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Council goes with flat fee for compactor trucks

by CHAD INGRAM
Times Staff

After considerable conversation, Minden Hills council has settled on a flat fee of \$35 per cubic yard of waste from compactor trucks at the Scotch Line landfill and \$50 per cubic yard in cases where loads are very obviously contaminated with recyclables.

Previously, the fee had been \$25 per cubic yard and \$50 per cubic yard for a contaminated load. Under Minden Hills bylaws, a contaminated load is one that contains more than six per cent of material that could actually be recycled.

The flat fee was suggested by staff as a compromise and means of mitigating disagreements between landfill attendants and compaction truck drivers.

In his advocacy for the flat fee, environmental and property operations manager Ivan Ingram has stressed that determining whether or not a load contains more than six per cent recyclables is an extremely subjective process.

It had been suggested by some that the new fee would be the equivalent of subsidizing compaction truck companies.

A staff report calculating the amount of money it takes for the township to process 10 yards of compacted household waste versus 10 yards of construction waste showed the cost for the latter is much greater.

"In summary, it costs the township approximately \$100.03 to address 10 cubic yards of material, and \$613.28 for the same amount of construction waste," that report read, indicating

that sorted construction waste is basically being subsidized by \$210 per every 10 cubic yards.

At council's March 30 meeting, Ingram stressed the township does its best when it comes to monitoring recyclable materials mixed in with other garbage.

"If you want to go to zero . . . you're going to have to hire a lot more people," he told councillors.

Chief administrative officer Lorrie Blanchard stressed the \$50 per cubic yard fee will still be charged in instances where loads are clearly very contaminated.

"This is not across the board \$35," Blanchard said. "If there's an extremely dirty load, we're still charging them the \$50."

"Garbage and landfill is complicated," said Reeve Brent Devolin. "It's going to get more complicated."

Devolin was referring to implications from the Ontario Waste-Free Act, passed by the province last year.

"We would all like to do a better job of environmental stewardship and extending the lifespan of the landfill," Devolin said.

The current estimated lifespan of the Scotch Line landfill is 33 years, up from 31 years not long ago, thanks to increased waste diversion and recycling.

Councillor Lisa Schell pointed out that when she was first on council more than a decade ago, the estimated lifespan at that time was about 20 years.

"It's going to be a very expensive option when Scotch Line closes," said Deputy-reeve Cheryl Murdoch. "When that place closes,

you're looking at horrendous cost, horrendous cost."

Murdoch said she'd like to see the township purchase weigh scales for the landfill and Devolin recognized that residents are looking

for more options at the site, including a hazardous waste disposal facility.

Currently, the township holds special days throughout the year where hazardous waste is accepted.

Council sets timeline for economic development plan

by CHAD INGRAM
Times Staff

Minden Hills council is embarking on an economic development strategic plan for the municipality it aims to have completed before the current council term is over in late 2018.

Councillors discussed the timeline for the plan, for which it is applying for funding from the province's recently rebooted RED (rural economic development) program, during a March 30 meeting.

A successful application would mean that half the project costs – an estimated \$40,000 – would be covered through RED.

A couple of major plans were developed by the the previous Minden Hills council – a cultural plan in 2012 and village development master plan, focusing mainly on beautifying Minden's downtown, in 2013 – and a parks and recreation master plan was developed during the present council term.

"The RED application will build upon all of these good works that have already been done,"

said Reeve Brent Devolin. "There is a lot of work that has been done that we can draw on."

Councillor Jeanne Anthon questioned whether council would want to proceed with the project with or without the RED funding.

Devolin said he was in favour of completing the plan with or without any grant money from the province.

"Personally . . . we need to do this," he said.

The deadline for the RED application was last week and the township plans to release a request for proposals for the plan this August, with that bidding period ending in September.

A report will be brought to council that month, with councillors awarding the contract to the winning applicant. In November, staff would meet with consultants and the township would also begin advertising for members of a task force to work on the project. The task force would be appointed in December.

Two public meetings will be scheduled for July of 2018 for residents to contribute input. The plan is scheduled to come before council in August and be adopted in September of 2018.



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Rick Wood walks to the boiler, looking to take a sample from the sap. He and his wife Wendy, started their operation this season on Feb. 16 and had their first boiling on Feb. 19./DARREN LUM Staff

Left, Rick Wood, a semi-retired maple syrup producing hobbyist, takes a sample from his boiler to test for sugar content.



Semi-retired Rick Wood of Carnarvon stokes the fire to his boiler.



Rick Wood carries a bucket of sap from a tree closest to his house last week. Using the bucket to top up a boil, Rick said the 400 tapped tree operation, which he runs with wife Wendy, has completely transitioned to using lines to carry the sap to holding containers. This has increased productivity and lessened the physical demands of traditional bucket collection.

Woods tap woods for maple sap

For the past three years, maple trees on Rick and Wendy Wood's 26 acre property have yielded a sap harvest for maple syrup production. Rick has spent a night in his boiler building already, ensuring the fire was kept stoked during a close to 20 hour sap run. Wendy, a local artist, said there is very little else that gets done than maple syrup production in spring. She cannot imagine life without it. The couple tapped their first tree on Feb. 16 and did their first boil on Feb. 19. After several weeks, the couple is hoping for the necessary conditions – five degrees Celsius in the day and negative three at night. Their syrup is available locally at Wall Flower Studio in Minden and at the Haliburton County Farmers' Market Carnarvon location during the summer.

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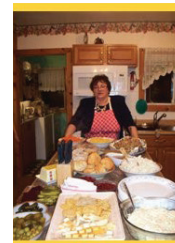


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MINOR HOCKEY

Bantam girls win gold

On Friday, the Jets travelled to Toronto for an 8 p.m. game to face their equally matched rivals, the Otonabee Wolverines for the championship title at the Canlan York Arena.

Halfway through the first period, Beth Brownlee scored the first goal of the game and found the net with a pass from Marissa Cannon. At the one minute mark, Olivia Martin, unassisted, added to the scoreboard with a shot from the far left corner which found its way through the legs of the Wolverines' goaltender.

The second period saw Otonabee score a goal with two minutes remaining on the clock. The Jets were now ahead by one.

Both teams skated and worked hard and had numerous chances throughout the third. Fortunately, it was the Jets who would score the final goal of the game. Martin skated the puck in, again unassisted, and took a shot from the right side, finding an opening that ended up in the back of the opponents net.

Courtney Semach had an amazing performance between the pipes for Jets the entire game.

Final score: Jets, 3, Otonabee, 1.

Congratulations Jets, coaching and bench staff on a great season and for bringing home the gold in the LLFHL Bantam C Division Championships. Thank you to the sponsors Parkview Dental and Canadian Tire for playing such an instrumental role by supporting the team throughout the sea-

son, which assisted in their success.

The team will head to the provincials this weekend in Toronto with hopes of ending their season with a bang and adding to their achievements. No matter the outcome, girls, we are all proud of you, your development, and of your growth and accomplishments as a team. Keep your heads up, work hard and have fun. Good luck!

Submitted by Linda Goulet

Peewee girls net bronze

Leveque Brothers/Rock Breakers peewee girls travelled to Vaughan this past weekend to participate in Lower Lakes Championship Weekend. First game saw them face off against the Walkerton Capitals in what proved to be a hard fought battle with no scoring until the third period. The goals started coming from both sides in the final 12 minutes of the game giving the girls one point with a 2-2 tie to start the tournament. Goals scored by Elyse Ives and Ava Smith with assists going to Ryan Rupnow and Olivia Villamere. Later that day they met their divisional rivals the Peterborough Ice Kats and were victorious with a 4-1 win to gain two more points. Goals scored by Emma Tidey (3) and Emily Alexander, assists going to Megan Jenkins, Chloe Billings, Peyton Armstrong and Smith.

Saturday afternoon was the final round robin game to decide the fate of what medal the girls would be competing for. They came up against the very solid Mount Forest Rams and gave all they had and fell just short with a 2-0 loss. That tied the girls for second place but unfortunately was beat out of the gold medal game contention due to goals for and against and once again faced off against Peterborough for the bronze. Bancroft Jets came out with a vengeance as well as Peterborough and gave the fans a great show. With no scoring in the first, the Jets turned it on and put on a display winning the bronze medal game by a score of 6-1. Goals scored by Hailey Hudder, Trista Young, Armstrong, Jenkins, Villamere and Tidey. Assists going to Ives (2), Rupnow (2), Villamere, Avery Coens, Smith (2) and Mackenzie Hudder. The girls will head to Toronto again next weekend for provincials to take on the best teams in Ontario. Good luck to all the girls' teams this weekend.

Submitted by Melissa Armstrong

Tough weekend for midget B girls

The Bancroft I.D.A./Red Eagle Family Campground midget B girls travelled to Vaughn on the weekend for their LLFHL Championship Weekend Tournament. Facing the best of the best in the five-team battle for

the top midget B team in their league, the Jets battled adversity in their round robin play. They opened the tournament with a 0-0 draw against the Hamilton Hawks – who went on to win the bronze medal. In their next two games, Bancroft challenged Cambridge Roadrunners and the Kincardine Kinucks but could not capitalize on their scoring chances. Needing a win in their last game of round robin play against the Toronto Leaside Wildcats, the Jets and their depleted energy tanks could not generate enough quality scoring chances and did not advance to the medal round. Use the weekend efforts, girls, to get us ready for our all-Ontario provincial championship in Brampton this weekend.

Submitted by Dan Marsden



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High single handicap Claude Cote 293
High triple Claude Cote 725
High triple handicap Claude Cote 755

Women

High average Chris Cote 189
High single Chris Cote 224
High single handicap Millie Payne 303
High triple Chris Cote 549
High triple handicap Karen Baird 676

Tuesday, March 28

Men

High Average Claude Cote 210
High Single Claude Cote 298
High Single H/C Claude Cote 312
High Triple Claude Cote 826
High Triple H/C Claude Cote 868

Women

High Average Chris Cote 194
High Single Chris Cote 227
High Single H/C Chris Cote 252
High Triple Chris Cote 584
High Triple H/C Chris cote 659

Friday, March 31

Men

High average Claude Cote 200
High single Claude Cote 237
High single handicap John Whitty 266
High triple Claude Cote 616
High triple handicap John Whitty 708
Women
High average Chris Cote 190

High single Ren Higgins 232
High single handicap Ren Higgins 274
High triple Chris Cote 619
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Special Olympics Bowling Scores
Brent Leffering 189
Casey Heley 186

Emily Boccitto 177
Andrea Austin 168
Skylar Pratt 162
Jason Kitchener 150



Students recognized in Legion contest

The Legion Remembrance Day Literary and Poster Contest winners: Archie Stouffer Elementary School students Ava Allaire, from left at back, Travis Clarke, Emily Fitzell, Colleen Petric and Logan Beers. Front row: Miles Bascombe, Erik Bird, Wyatt Raposo, Cheyenne Lagace and Brooke Stover. Erik, third place for poster, primary colour; Logan, first place, Travis, second place, Wyatt, third for poster, junior black and white; Cheyenne first place, Emily, third place for poster junior colour; Colleen, first place for poem junior; Brooke, first place for poem intermediate; Ava, first place and Miles Bascombe, third place for essay. Home school students recognized at the school's assembly were absent for the photo. Photo submitted by Anne Grant

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From left, Tracy Benson, Heather Routledge, Alison Mallette, Susan Sheehan.



From left, Patti Prentice, Karen Lytle, Linda Pawluck, Pauline Plooard.

Ladies wrap season

On March 13, the Minden Curling Club Monday Evening Ladies League assembled at the club for the final game of the season and playoff competition.

Winners of league play competition, The Harper Power Sports Trophy and gift certificates from UpRiver Trading was the team of Susan Sheehan, Tracy Benson, Allison Mallette, and Heather Routledge.

Winners of the playoff competition, the County Sign and Display Trophy, and gift certificates from Pharmasave, was the team

skipped by Linda Pawluck, with Patti Prentice at vice (sparing for Carolyn Ludlow), Karen Lytle at second, and Pauline Plooard at lead.

The ladies helped Pauline Plooard celebrate a birthday with a lovely cake, then posed for a final group picture before enjoying snacks and finger foods.

Vice-president evening leagues Wes Lytle thanked the staff of the curling club, trophy sponsors and the ladies themselves for a great season.





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HHSS students learn relaxation techniques

Students hold a pose during yoga at the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School Camp Day on Thursday, March 30 at Medeba in West Guilford. Senior high school students were given the option to attend, go to their co-op placement, or stay at home because of the mandatory provincial Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test being taken by Grade 10 students and the mock test by Grade 9s. The objective of the day-long event was to provide the 30 senior students an opportunity to challenge themselves, build relationships and leadership skills, and learn about methods to deal with stress using exercise (yoga, drum fit, hiking and zumba), a hobby such as fly tying or colouring and playing games. Also, the event helped to build relationships between the students and staff with community partners. For the past two years, this event was known as TIC (Teens In Control) day. /DARREN LUM Staff

Events

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Led by Suzanne Haedicke, students learn zumba – a dance fitness program – at the HHSS Camp Day on Thursday, March 30 at Medeba in West Guilford.

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Refugee family arrives today

The refugee group sponsored by the Minden-Coboconk Refugee Committee is expected to arrive in this community later today. The committee received word Tuesday morning that the group would arrive in Toronto Wednesday afternoon.

According to immigration officials, the five individuals arrived in Winnipeg Saturday. This is a staging area for the incoming refugees where they receive their initial medical attention and begin the long process of becoming acclimatized to the country.

While details of the family unit is still sketchy, the committee is aware that the group consists of a wife and husband, their teenage son, and two nephews who are also teenagers. The husband is a mechanic and one of the teenagers has worked as a watch maker.

The committee has made arrangements to house the family group temporarily in a cottage in the Coboconk area. They will be transferred to the Minden area December 1 after final details have been made for the renting of a home in the vicinity of this community.

The imminent arrival of the refugees culminates several months of preparation which began this summer. Area churches, stretching from

Carnarvon to Coboconk, joined in an ecumenical undertaking to sponsor a refugee family. The committee has been making plans for their arrival since then, and had been told earlier this month that it could be up to four months before a family is assigned to their sponsorship. The committee is headed by Reverend Douglas Miller of the Minden United Church.



Second century

Surrounded by his family and friends Charlie Fader celebrated his one hundredth birthday Thursday at Extendicare in Haliburton. On hand to take part in the celebration marking his second century were, from the left, great-great-granddaughter Tanya Castle, granddaughter Elaine Barjarow, granddaughter Sheila Griffin, great-grandson Jerry Griffin, great-granddaughter Kathy Castle, daughter-in-law Winnie Fader and great-great-granddaughter Keri Castle. The staff and other residents of the home joined Mr. Fader in marking the special occasion.

Council upset by delays

Members of Anson, Hindon and Minden Township Council are pressing for the completion of a feasibility study which must proceed the construction of a new library in this community.

The members of council expressed their desire to get the project underway at a meeting held November 14. The study is necessary before Wintario funds, and possibly other government funding, will be made available for the project.

Reeve Sinclair Nesbitt said he felt the new library should be under construction by the spring. He pointed out that the federal government recently indicated that federal funds, through winter works programs, may be available and the municipality should be ready to take advantage of this.

Dr. A. Jamieson, a member of the library board, appeared before council to request that a number of paintings from the Andre Lapine collection, held by the municipality, be removed to Toronto for assessment. The paintings and a number of other objects are part of a collection that will be on display in any new art gallery. The assessment of their value will be required for the completion of a feasibility study. The council granted the permission.

In other library business, the council was informed that no resident of the municipality is a member of the County Library Board. The township has been without a representative for the past three years. A request was made that the council bring the matter to the attention of the county

council in hopes of having a resident appointed.

The council also decided to have funds collected at the library for fees and fines placed in the building fund account.

Permission granted for snowmobile trails

The Anson, Hindon and Minden Township council has granted permission to the Haliburton County Snowmobile Association to brush out a number of trails along municipality roads. The permission was granted, in response to a written request, at the November 14 meeting

of the council.

The association will be required to obtain permission for their trails from the adjacent property owners

when cultivated trees and shrubs are to be trimmed back.

The areas in question are described as follows:

- Horseshoe Lake Roads numbers one and two in the area of lot 10, concession 7 and 8, both ways from the steel bridge at Mirror Lake.

- Dennison Road east from Horseshoe Lake Road number 2 along the north side of the road in the area already brushed out by Ontario Hydro.

- a portion of McArthur Road from near Ivan Miscio's residence east to the junction of Duck Lake Road.

Club gets OK

The Ontario Ministry of Labour has approved the use of the Minden Curling Club for the coming season. The use of the building had been placed in doubt earlier this year when a structural assessment revealed the clubhouse could only carry a limited snow load.

Under the direction of the ministry, certain renovations were carried out to the structure. The snow load on the roof must be monitored throughout the winter season and use of the building curtailed when the load reaches a certain maximum.

The improvements made to the structure means, according to the Ministry of Labour standards, that the building can carry a maximum snow load of five pounds per square foot.



New bank

Toronto Dominion bank manager Al Mayo, pointing, discusses progress at the new Minden bank as a piece of equipment is unloaded from a truck. The manager says he expects the new facility to be open for business in late January. Most of the exterior work is now completed and workmen are concentrating on the interior work.

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Cost: Admission by donation

Doc(k) Day

When: Saturday, April 8
Where: Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion
Those Other Movies presents the sixth annual Doc(k) Day documentary film festival. Starts at 10 a.m. with Dysart 150: The Movie, followed by Obit, Cameraperson, What Lies Below and In Pursuit of Peace. For more information contact Lisa Kerr kerrfamily@cottagecountry.net.
Cost: \$30 for the day (email Lisa Kerr). Individual tickets, if available, are \$10 at the door.

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Haliburton Highlands Music Festival - Day 1

When: Thursday, April 20
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Haliburton Highlands Music Festival - Day 2

When: Friday, April 21
Where: Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion
Cost: Free
Come and hear the participants in this year's music festival. 9:15-11:40 a.m. - piano and vocal music, 12:40-5 p.m. - instrumental and vocal music, 7-9 p.m. - piano music. Full class details at <http://elainebell.ca/haliburton-highlands-music-festival/>. Guy Few, brilliant trumpeter, pianist, and singer, will adjudicate all classes.

Haliburton Highlands Music Festival - Day 3

When: Saturday, April 22
Where: Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion
Cost: Free
Come and hear the participants in this year's music festival. 9:30 a.m.-noon - rhythm ensembles and piano music. Full class details at <http://elainebell.ca/haliburton-highlands-music-festival/>. Guy Few, brilliant trumpeter, pianist, and singer, will adjudicate all classes.

Lochlin United Church - Spring Maplefest

When: Saturday April 22, 9 am - 1 pm
Where: Lochlin United Church, 1050 Lochlin Road, off Gelert Road (County Rd. 1)
All you can eat Pancake/Sausage Brunch and Bake Sale
Adults: \$8.00, Children under 12: \$4.00, preschoolers free

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Kellet speaks on St. Paul's

AROUND THE TOWN

Patti Fleury

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Here at the old farmhouse there is a chorus of birdsong coming from the old lilac grove and soon it will be time to hang the hummingbird feeder for welcome weary travellers. Son David and daughter-in-law Rita have arrived back from a fabulous river cruise through Japan, China and exotic places between. We look forward to seeing their pictures including ones taken on the Great Wall. Having determined it was time to improve our dietary intake we listened to the speaker on T.V. a published physician specialising in nutrition and a healthy lifestyle. We were totally committed until he referred to food items which were not in our vocabulary and imagine our embarrassment on checking the pantry snack inventory. Neither those essential items beef

jerky and something that started with a "Q" were in stock. One recommendation in his lifestyle list was a positive attitude which he called gratitude. Of late we had already been following the "discipline of gratitude" with much to be thankful for.

The Haliburton Highlands Genealogy Group will meet on Wednesday, April 19th in the Lions Hall, Bobcaygeon Road. Doors will open at 6 p.m. and at 7 p.m. the speaker will be Gareth Kellett talking about his book "From Whispers of Faith to Songs of Praise 1866-2016" which commemorates the 150 Anniversary of St. Paul's Anglican Church, Minden. Everyone is welcome, there is no charge and refreshments will be available. For more information call Gail at 705-287-2225.

National Volunteer Week will be celebrated from April 23rd to April 29th. Writing this column each week strongly reinforces awareness of the role volunteers play in our communities both rural and urban. So many programs and events would simply not take place without those helping hands.

County card scores

by Patti Fleury ~ 488-2938 ~ brucefleury1@hotmail.com

March 27 contract bridge at Stanhope: The high scoring quartet members were Sandy McKay 5,100, Kathie Porter 4,970, Ross Fletcher 4,540 and Muriel McIntosh 4,510 with Bruce Armstrong awarded the Lucky Loonie.

March 28 contract bridge at Minden United Church: Gareth Kellett reports that Carol Bowker led at 5,230 then Wally Ozog 3,970 and Susan Reed 3,510 with Wally and Carol teaming up for a Small Slam.

March 28 Mixed Shuffleboard at Stanhope Firehall: Top marks went to June Fortune and Dorene Elstone at 291 with Jean Randell and Bev Kerr next at 286. Joan Bell and Ray Lymer captured third spot at 263 while June Miller partnered with Gerry Lyddiatt posted the afternoon's low of 170. Thanks to Pearl Cowen for this news.

March 28 Minden Seniors bid euchre at Minden Legion: Leading ladies were Georgina Parkes 271, Sharon Atkinson 270, Clare Obdam 268 and Vi Howell 245. First for the gents at 321 was our reporter Tom Grix followed by Bruce Metcalf 272, Marcel Roussel 268 and Al McMullen 262. Other prizes went to Anne Manning, Clare Obdam and Bill and Joan McKnight while Theresa Deak, Jesse Barlow and Bruce Metcalf took the moonshots.

March 29 duplicate bridge at Parklane, Haliburton: Playing Howell Dee McLean and Joan Davies led at 63 percent then Peter O'Connor and Gord Cochrane 55 percent. At 53 percent Irena and Alek Zworski were third and Ross Fletcher partnered with Mary Johnson fourth.

March 30 bid euchre at Minden Community Centre: Representing the ladies John Deak led at 274 then Jean Randell 269, Jean Scadden 246 and tied for fourth spot at 240 Gala Newell and Betty Wagar. For the gents Archie Ross topped the charts at

243 followed by Bruce Metcalf 221, Tom Grix 211 and Kevin Maloney 198. Gail Matcalf won for call 1, John Deak held the hidden score and Donna Darby was the card draw winner while moonshots landed on Howard Smith, Archie Ross and Ron Morrison.

March 30 euchre at Minden Legion: John Deak and Jason Peacock held the most lone hands with Yvonne Arbuthnot and Tom Bagshaw posting the high scores. Harold Harvie and Linda Hopkins claimed the lows while Betty Wagar [2], Alan Arbuthnot and Paul Hilyer won the other prizes.

March 31 euchre at Staunworth Court, Minden: Cathy Howe won for high score, our reporter Shirley Howe for lone hands, Murray Simmons for low score and Pat Bailey for the special prize.

March 31 duplicate bridge at Ech Hills, Haliburton: North/South leaders were Muriel McIntosh and Ross Davies 64 percent and Tom and our bridge reporter Margo Davidson .63 percent. Over in EastWest at 58 percent Joan Davies and Kathie Porter were first then Gord Cochrane and Peter O'Connor also 58 percent.

April 3 euchre at St. Paul's Friendship Club, Minden: Our reporter Pearl Cowen and Estella Burch took most lone hand honours with Kay Millard and Lyn Preston posting the high scores. Barbara Braithwaite had the afternoon's low, Pearl Cowen won the special prize while the skunk paid an early Spring visit to Estella and Kay.

April 3 euchre at Staunworth Terrace, Minden: Winning for high hands was Howard Smith, for lone hands Joan Riel, for low hands Maria Tschida and for the special prize Albert Foster.

A special shoutout to good neighbour Bev Johnson. Until next week keep busy and well, they go together.

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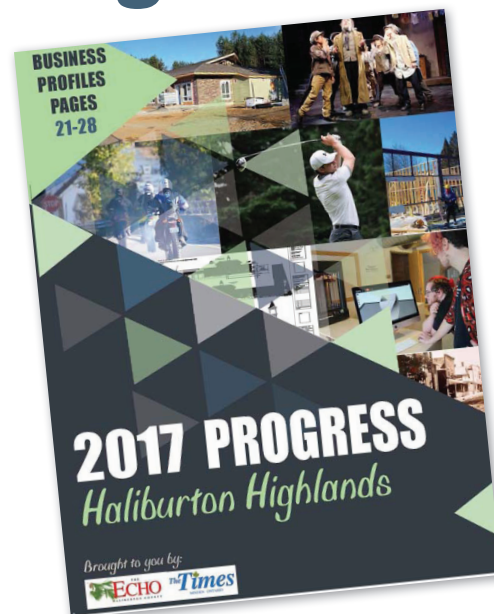


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A special thank you to Dr. Conway for the support and excellent care given to Mom and Dad over the many years.

We would also like to thank Haliburton County Paramedic Services, Dr. Dawson and Dr. Thomas who attended to Dad as well, during his short illness and Dr. Dawson and the nurses in the Emergency and Acute Care Unit(s) for your excellent care of both Mom and Dad.

A special thank you to the Supportive Housing staff for the caring support and kindness shown to Dad and the loving consideration that was given to Mom during her battle with cancer, that enabled her to stay in her home until the end.

Thank you to Jean Tyler and Kim Wilson for taking time away from their homes and lives to stay with Mom in the evenings. Your friendship and comfortable and caring ways made such a difference and brought a great deal security and joy to Mom. We can never thank you enough.

Many thanks to Dwaine and Lorie Lloyd and the staff at the Haliburton Community Funeral Home for assisting us with arrangements for Mom and Dad and every kindness shown to our family during these difficult times. So very appreciated.

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Vasey, Glen Arthur 1934-2017

Beloved husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather passed away peacefully at the Winchester District Memorial Hospital surrounded by his family on March 29, 2017. Predeceased by his beloved wife Judy. Fondly remembered by his children Doug (Dianne), Greg (Kris), Cindy (Joe) and Jill (Marc). Grandchildren Tanya (Rob), Kelly, Angie (Casey), Heather, Josh, Noelle, Evan and Chloe. Great-grandchildren Ben and Harper. Predeceased by his brothers Gary (Lynne) and Hugh (Bev) Vasey. Survived many nieces and nephews.

A Visitation was held at St. Clare's Anglican Church, Winchester, Ontario on Monday April 3, 2017 at 10 a.m. followed by a Memorial Service at 11 a.m.

In lieu of flowers, donations to St. Clare's Anglican Church would be greatly appreciated or a charity of your choice. Arrangements entrusted to the Byers Funeral Home, South Mountain (613-989-3836). Online condolences may be made at www.byersfuneralhomeinc.com



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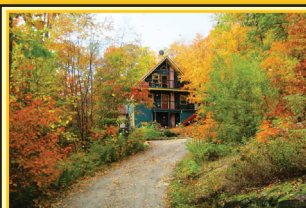
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Drew Bishop**
457-7150
AMAZING WATERFRONT**Percy Lake \$469,900**

- SW facing natural flat lot, 595 ft, 3.9 acres
- Partially cleared, circular driveway, retaining wall

Dagmar Boettcher**
705-457-5968
LOVELY VIEW**Portage Lake Rd \$334,900**

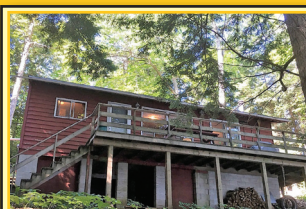
- Beautiful 3 Bedroom, 3 Bath Home
- Full of Character, Close to Town
- Private setting on 34 Acre Property

Janice Brookes*
457-2128 x 22
BUILDING LOT**Portage Lake \$105,000**

- Natural level lot w/ several sites
- 210 Ft frontage, 10 mins to Haliburton
- Easy access with hydro at the lot

Kim Butt*
286-2138 x 31
AFFORDABLE WATERFRONT**Diamond Lake Lot \$114,900**

- Lovely lot on a deep, clean lake
- Off a year round road, Driveway In
- Site cleared, 15 mins to Bancroft!

Gloria Carnochan*
754-1932
AFFORDABLE PRICE**Bitter Lake \$264,000**

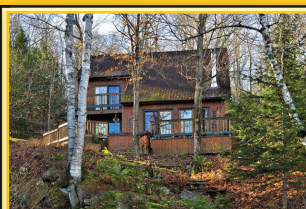
- Affordable 3 Bdrm Cottage Needing Some TLC
- 4 Bdrm Septic, Ready For Expansion Or Rebuild
- Very Priv, Great Lk For All Activities, 15 Mins To Tow

Mark Dennys*
457-0473
INCOME POTENTIAL**Haliburton Home \$219,900**

- 80 Ft. Rd Fmt, 23 Acres, 1850 Sq Ft
- 3 Bdm, Den, 1.5 Bath & Sunroom
- Walk to town amenities/park/events etc.

Tom Ecclestone*
286-2138 x 26**Rockcliffe Tavern \$399,000**

- Imagination, Motivation, Experience
- Our Community is Growing- Join In

Lee Gauthier**
489-9968
NEW LISTING**Kushog Lake \$349,000**

- Viceroy styled 3 bdrm/2 bath home
- Interior w/ quality finishes & tasteful decorating
- Vertical pine exterior, 15 mins to town

Scott Harrison
286-2138 x 28
36 ACRES**Ridgeview Road \$199,000**

- Large acreage featuring panoramic views of Haliburton village! Build your private estate or develop!

Andrew Hodgson***
286-2138 x 29
NEW LISTING**Drag Lake \$1,399,999**

- 31.5 acre private estate, 500' frontage
- Stunning 3600 sf timber frame 'hybrid'
- Lots of upgrades, garage/shop/loft

Susanne James*
& Andy Mosher**
457-2128 x 33
2 LAKE CHAIN**200' on Long Lake \$279,900**

- Nicely renovated 3BR cottage with year round access
- 2-Lake chain, miles of boating, sunset views

Denise LeBlanc*
286-2138 x 23
NEW LISTING**Outskirts of Minden \$247,000**

- Bright 3 bedroom, 2 bath home
- Full basement & large back deck!
- Attached Single garage & breezeway

David Lee*
286-2138 x 27
SOLD**Kinmount Home \$249,000**

- 3 bedrooms, walkout basement
- Main floor living with laundry
- New Quonset hut, on over 1 acre!

Erin Nicholls*
457-2128 x 34
RIGHT IN TOWN**Commercial \$299,000**

- Clean & tidy 3000 Sq. Ft. building
- Fully Finished, currently used as a church
- Ideal for a studio, retail or offices!

Brandon Nimigon
457-2128 x 27
SAND, SUN, SUNSETS**Grace Lake \$329,900**

- 1.89 acres with 140 feet sand shoreline
- Lovely lot plus 2 lake chain boating
- Private location with clean water

Karen Nimigon**
457-2128 x 29
NEW LISTING**County Getaway \$197,700**

- Features share in lot on Miskwabi Lake
- 2 Bedrooms, Open concept & 4 pc bath
- Drilled well, septic & yr round municipal rd

Kirsten Rae*
286-2138 x 30
SOLD**In Town w/Acreage \$274,900**

- Gorgeous century log home on 8 acres
- With pond & oversized detached garage
- Private setting just minutes to Minden!

Darlene Reil
447-2055
HOME ON ACREAGE**Highland Grove \$349,900**

- Beautiful home finished on 2 levels
- Attached Garage/workshop
- Sitting on 5 Acres!

Greg Stamp*
457-2128 x 28
BUILDING LOT**West Lk Starting at \$239,900**

- Prime building lots, private w/ Algonquin Park-like surroundings, 2 Lovely lots available on year round road to build your dream home or cottage!

Elizabeth Thompson*
457-2128 x 52
SOLD**Large Country Home \$268,500**

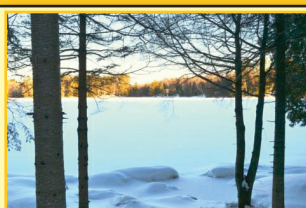
- Privacy, Pond, Close to Lakes & Geocaching
- 3 Bed ranch bungalow, LR, DR, Country Kitchen

Melanie Vigrass*
286-2138 x 32
NEW LISTING**Wilberforce \$329,000**

- Fantastic 4 bdrm bungalow
- Cathedral Ceilings, Open Concept
- Full Basement, Att'd 2 Car Garage

Tom Wilkinson**
286-2138 x 25
NEW PRICE**Waterfront Condo \$589,000**

- 4 bedroom, 3 baths, Close to Minden
- Upgraded throughout incl. granite counters
- Main floor master, fireplace, Haliburton room

Andrea Wilson**
457-6694
PRIVATE LOT**Boyne Lake Lot \$195,000**

- 10+ Acres, 230 Ft of Frontage
- Easy Access, expansive news
- 10 Minutes from Haliburton

Karen Nimigon**
457-2128 x 29
NEW LISTING**Quality Log Home \$273,000**

- 4 Season getaway on 8 Acres
- 2 bedrooms plus a loft, 2 baths
- Open Main floor plan, lovely location



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